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# Memorandum

From the office of Chairman Doug Little Arizona Corporation Commission

1200 W. WASHINGTON PHOENIX, ARIZONA (602) 542-0745

TO:

**Docket Control** 

DATE:

July 21, 2016

FROM:

Chairman Doug Little's Office

SUBJECT:

EPCOR WS-01303A-16-0145

AZ CORP COMMISSION
DOCKET CONTROL

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Chairman Little's office received 1 letter and 31 emails, referencing, and in opposition of, the above docket number. The letter and emails can be viewed via the Docket link on the website, or in Docket.

Arizona Corporation Commission DOCKETED

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IN

# Roger Bell 10308 W. OAK RIDGE DR SUN CITY, AZ. 85351 DOCKET WS01303A - 16 -0145

GOMMISSIONEYS

AS A ST. OF AZ. PETITEE IN 2005

MOVED TO SUN CITY. I RECALL 2005

WATER COST 24-27 MO \$ 7-2016 41.01 MD.

IAM AGAINST FULL CONSOLIDATION

AS PROPOSAL WOULD DOUBLE THE

COST. I RELOCATE HERE FOR

ECONOMIC REASONS & THIS EPCOR

PROPOSAL DON'T HELP. PLEASE

VOTE AGAINST FULL CONSOLIDATION

THANK You Roger Bell

From:

KC <kcmsr00@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 10:14 AM

To:

Doug Little

Subject:

Docket Number WS-01303A-16-0145

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Sincerely, Kathryn Molda 9923 W Prairie Hills Circle Sun City, AZ 85351

From:

Barbara Matthews

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 1:23 PM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

Docket # WS-01303A-16-0145

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Please 'VOTE AGAINST FULL CONSOLIDATION!"

Thank you

From:

Ron Bates \*

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:45 PM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

Epcor Water Docket #WS-01303A-16-0145

#### Dear Sirs,

As an Epcor ratepayer and Sun City/Youngtown resident,I strongleyobject to EPCOR'S recommondation for full consolidation of the EPCOR wastewater districts.

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From: Debbie

**Sent:** Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:49 PM

To: Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

**Subject:** Epcor Water DocketWS-01303A-16-0145

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Deborah Bates

From:

Barbara Hittle

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:16 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

DOCKET # WS-01303A-16-0145

I STRONGLY object to epcor's recommendation for full consolidation of the epcor wastewater districts.

Please vote against full consolidation.

Thank you, Barbara Hittle

Sun City, AZ

Jelly Bean <jerry57108@yahoo.com></jerry57108@yahoo.com>
Monday, July 18, 2016 10:36 PM
Little-Web
Fwd: Docket #WS 01303A-16-0145

- > As a Sun City West resident and rate payer I strongly object to Epcor's recommendation to full consolidation of Epcor's waste water district.
- > Our rate will go up \$10 because Corte Bella / Anthem residents do not wish to pay the rate assessed based on their pipe size. I understand from local realtors this is disclosed at time of purchase.
- > I fail to understand why we are expected to subsidize their cost as their rate would drop \$40. It must be illegal to assess their cost to us because they think it would be fair. I don't believe I have 1 inch pipes.
- > This is so ridiculous I fail to see how it is even being considered. It would be the same as me buying a Cadillac and then deciding I wanted you all to each pay \$40 each towards my payment because I enjoyed luxury but didn't want to pay after I signed on the dotted line.
- > We need you to see the ethics in this...
- > Sharon> Sent from my iPhone

From:

Sarah <sbakefelt@cox.net>

Sent:

Monday, July 18, 2016 7:24 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

referencing Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145

Importance:

High

# referencing Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145

I live in sun city and I am against Waste water consolidation. That Sun City not be included in this outrageous ploy to increase our rates by doubling them. We are a retirement community with limited income should stand alone as it has been for all these years. I will not be able to afford having water and the so call help for low income wow I get 4.00 off my bill and it has already doubled since 1999 when I moved here. Enough is enough.

Thank you Sarah Bakefelt 9701 W. Timberline Drive Sun City, Az 85351



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From:

Tim Lyon <tlyon2222@cox.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 9:07 AM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

Re: WS-01303A-16-0145

#### Commissioners,

Let me see if I understand this new rate case presented by EPCOR. They want to consolidate so all water districts pay the same for wastewater. No matter that Sun City's Rates will go up from \$22.11 to \$41.02. Agua Fria will go down from \$71.16 to \$41.02. Anthem will go down from \$60.33 to \$41.02. Mojave will go down from \$78.53 to \$41.02 and Sun City West will go up from \$32.46 to \$41.02. So, why should Sun City and Sun City West subsidize these rich communities?

When Sun City residents bought their houses, the water infrastructure was included in the price of their residence. These other communities did not pay for their infrastructure in the cost of their houses, so why should Sun City help them pay?

The fact that these rates are based on an average of 7000 gallons of wastewater is another way that Sun City residents will have to subsidize their water usage. I personally use only 3500 gallons of water per month. Most people I know in Sun City use no where near 7000 gallons. So we have to help these rich communities pay for their private pools and water fountains.

This rate case is the most unfair piece of theft ever perpetrated on a community and I implore you to not allow this to happen.

Timothy M. Lyon

Capt. USAF Ret.

From:

Carole Harstad < charstad1@aol.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 8:51 AM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

**EPCOR Consolidation** 

Docket Number: WS-01303A-16-0145

As an EPCOR customer and a Sun City resident,
I strongly object to EPCOR's recommendation for full consolidation of the EPCOR watewater districts.

Everything is going Up, Up, Up, except my income.
This increase would be a burden on me and other Sun Citians.
Sun City should not be forced to subsidize other districts.

Respectfully submitted - Larry & Carole Harstad 16034 N 111th Ave Sun City 85351 (623) 266-8875

From:

jvworkman@cox.net

Sent:

Monday, July 18, 2016 10:13 PM

Subject:

EPCOR RATEPAYERS WS - 01303 A - 16 - 0145

As EPCOR RATEPAYERS and Sun City Residents, We strongly object to EPCOR'S recommendation for full consolidation of the EPCOR wastewater districts.

Everything is going UP, UP, except our income. This increase would be a burden on us and other Sun Citians. Sun City should not be forced to subsidize other districts.

Thank You.

Sincerely, Jim & Velma Workman 9445 W. Raintree Dr. Sun City, Az. 85351

From:

Bill & Al;ice <whardy6@cox.net>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 8:36 AM

To:

Doug Little

Subject:

EPCOR wastewater issue WS - 01303A - 16 - 0145

Mr. Little,

As a resident of Sun City, I strongly oppose the increase in wastewater rates for Sun City. Please vote NO when the vote on passage comes to you.

Sincerely, Bill Hardy Rec # 35778 17826 N. Boswell Blvd, Sun City 85373

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From:

Eagle Eye <caronaz@gmail.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 18, 2016 5:12 PM

To:

ddl Dale's Distribution List

Subject:

**EPCOR** 

Perhaps you saw the article in yesterday's newspaper about the increase in water rates. I already emailed the link they provided and voted.

http://eservice.azcc.gov/Utilities/PublicComment

Docket Number is WS-01303A-16-0145

I am sending the following to all commissioners.

"As an EPCOR ratepayer and a Sun City resident,
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districts.

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Our Water Company in Sun City worked just fine for us for over 50 years. Then some company from Canada BOUGHT this fine company an now wants us to pay for all of the other companies they bought and also wants us to pay for more mailings telling us how great a job they are doing. Well they are NOT and we Sun Citians STRONGLY ABJECT their continuous raising of both Sewer and Water rates. It's totally unjust what they are doing to rape us into paying them continuous increases.

# Dale & Janice Caron Sun City Retirees

#### Commissioners:

Bob Burns- <a href="mailto:rbburns@azcc.gov">rbburns@azcc.gov</a>
Bob Stump - <a href="mailto:bstump@azcc.gov">bstump@azcc.gov</a>
Doug Little - <a href="mailto:dlittle@azcc.gov">dlittle@azcc.gov</a>
Tom Forese - <a href="mailto:rforese@azcc.gov">rforese@azcc.gov</a>
Andy Tobin - <a href="mailto:atobin@azcc.gov">atobin@azcc.gov</a>

From:

Vance Coleman <gohit2@aol.com>

Sent:

Monday, July 18, 2016 1:57 PM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

EPCOR Proposal, doc no. WS 01303A - 16 - 0145

My generation has never shied away from paying our fare share no may how much we had to sacrifice. Now that we are in our twilight years we should not be forced to subsidize others who chose a more affluent lifestyle.

We have paid our way and can not afford to pay for others,

Sincerely

Vance Coleman US Army Retired

----Original Message-----

From: Sara Bunch [mailto:sbunch2@cox.net]

Sent: Tuesday, July 19, 2016 12:56 PM To: Carolyn D. Buck <CDBuck@azcc.gov> Subject: Vote against full consolidation

WS-01303A-16-0145

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Please "vote against full consolidation!"

Sara Bunch Sun City, Az

From:

Lloyd Miller <azgem@q.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 1:20 PM

To:

Bob Burns; Tom Forese; Bob Stump; Doug Little; Andy Tobin

Cc:

marketing@suncityhoa.org

Subject:

Docket# WS-01303A-16-0145

Regarding Docket WS-01303A-16-0145 Epcor's request for consolidation we are opposed. Here we go again. A few years back you allowed American Water to consolidate water districts in order for Anthom residents who at that time had to pay for a new system and had a small population of luxury homes on that system. By consolidating a lot of other in other water districts pay for Anthom's system and they got to reduce their rate.

Here we go again. The new small communities of luxury homes namely Corta Bella, Russell Ranch, Coldwater Ranch, and others that have not been able to sell enough homes to pay for their new system want consolidation so the 61,000 plus (2010 census) can pay for them.

Sun city residents have paid for their system since 1960 thats 56 years of paying. We certainly will pay for what we get, so if there is a time that Epcor can provide you with a rate increase for updates, maintenance or what have you sure we will pay it. If and when that occurs. Not before.

The other numbers game going on is they say residential rates assume 7,000 gallons of water usage. If so make the rate increase be on the gallonage like Anthom's not the base. Just so you know the sun City community has desert landscaping, not grass, swimming pools, etc. like the luxury homes in the areas that want help by consolidation. There is also a lot of "snowbirds" I am one of them.

My base bill with Epcor for water and sewer is \$34 a month. Six months a year I use zero gallons and pay the \$34. The other six months by average gallons used is less than 3,000. That is no where close to their Assumption of 7,000 gallons of water usage.

Please keep in mind that the 61,000 plus residents do not want consolidation.

Lloyd Miller 12443 N. Rivierra Dr. Sun City Az. 85351

Sent from my iPad

From:

Judy Gillham <jusgilly9@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 1:28 PM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

EPCOR rate increase proposal

## Gentlemen,

This letter is in reference to docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145.

I live on Sun City with my husband. We chose to live here because of its affordable living. We rely mostly on social security, and do not get work related pensions.

I strongly object to EPCOR's recommendation for full consolidation of the wastewater districts. We cannot afford our rates to increase from \$25 per month to more than \$40 per month. I don't think we should be forced to subsidize the other districts.

Please vote "against" full consolidation!

From: Frank Warnock <warnockf@yahoo.com>

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 19, 2016 12:48 PM

To: Tobin-Web; forse-web@azcc.gov; Little-Web; Stump-Web

**Subject:** WS-01303A-16-0145

As a EPCOR ratepayer and Sun City resident, I strongly object to EPCOR's recommendation for full consolidation of EPCOR's wastewater districts.

EPCOR's shows their cost of service for our district is approximately \$25 per month at present, with consolidation this would rise to more than \$40 per month.

I see no reason that the Sun City ratepayer should be forced to subsidize other districts.

Please "vote against full consolidation!"

R/S.

Frank+Heather Warnock.

From: CenturyLink Customer <

**Sent:** Tuesday, July 19, 2016 1:43 PM

To: Little-Web

Subject: EPCOR Consolidation WS-01303A-16-0145

As an EPCOR ratepayer and a Sun City resident, I strongly object to EPCOR 's recommendation for full consolidation of the EPCOR wastewater districts.

After attending the EPCOR meeting at Sundial Center last evening, I feel I am more confused than I was going into the meeting. EPCOR says this cost for our service is roughly \$25 per month but they would like to push it to approximately \$40 per month; having the residents of Sun City/Youngtown foot the majority of the bill for consolidation into 5 districts. It is easy to understand why the residents of the other districts think this would be good for them since they will see a decline while we see the huge increase. I understand EPCOR (or any company wanting to make money, but on the backs of senior citizens who already have budgets stretched to the limit, seems like a very unfair way). This would put an even heavier burden on those of us who are retired living on a fixed income (we cannot expect to receive Social Security increases to cover these costs). We are not shirking from paying our fair share but those who can afford to buy/build a \$400,000/\$500,000 home can afford their fair share more than those of us who could only afford \$100,000/\$500,000 homes. We bought within our budgets, not the budgets for the \$400,000/\$500,000 homes. We moved in knowing what we had to pay and so did they...or is this a case of the poor/little person subsidizing the well-to-do AGAIN??

I worked for a water department in a city the size of Sun City prior to my retirement and never did we ever expect the cities around us to subsidize us for anything and never did we subsidize them in water, wastewater, or in any other utility rates we paid. We paid our fair share and they paid theirs. I believe this is the American way.

As for APS seeking their rate increase; in all states where this type of high handedness has been tried, the state legislatures have cut them off at the knees; this makes me wonder if our Commissioners are looking out for their constituents or if there is a kickback (financial or otherwise) in Arizona (which is what we are led to believe). Makes one wonder, RIGHT? Perhaps it's time we (citizens) vote in new Commissioners who put their constituents' interests ahead of companies who want big profits! Also, it's very upsetting to have these meetings for utilities set in the summer when most of the people in Sun City are out of town because they are snowbirds. How can they have a voice in the solution if they aren't aware of the problem?

As for EPCOR hoping for a return equity of 10.65%, please let me know where I can put what little monies I have left where I can get that type of return. I know of nowhere that I can put a

dollar and expect returns this high – bonds, savings, investments or checking accounts DO NOT have returns of this kind. In fact, very few have more than 1-2%. I realize all companies want return on their investment (and they are entitled to reasonable return on their investment), but 10.65% is way out of line by the citizens of Sun City and any other normal resident of any municipality in any part of the United States.

This email will probably be seen as someone who wants something for nothing; nothing could be further from the truth, I only want to pay for what I use not for what everyone else uses. We are seniors who have raised our families (and paid the price for the services we received then) and now we have only ourselves (usually 1 or 2 in a household) so why should we paid for someone who still has a larger family? If I think my electric bill will be too high, I postpone laundry or watching TV until another time of the day. With EPCOR's proposal there will be no way for residents to budget their own expenses.

I would hope that you (and the other Commissioners) would try to understand....we do not have a lot of money as senior citizens, but we do have pride and the power of vote.

Beverly Arnold

Sun City Resident

From:

Corinne Sawtelle

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 2:08 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

WS-01303A-16-0145

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Paul Sawtelle

Sun City, AZ 85351

From:

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Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 2:05 PM

To:

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Corinne Sawtelle

Sun City, AZ 85351

From:

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 1:58 PM

To:

Tobin-Web Forese-Web

Cc: Subject:

No consolidation WS-61303A-16-0145

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I have not received any cost of living adjustments from Medicare and drug prescriptions continue to increase.

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Thank you,

Rosella Levenson

From:

Lloyd Miller

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 2:12 PM

To:

RBurns-Web; Tom Forese; Bob Stump; Doug Little; Andy Tobin

Subject:

Fwd: Docket# WS-01303A-16-0145 (. (corrected message.)

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: Lloyd Miller

Date: July 19, 2016 at 1:20:14 PM MST

To: rburns@azcc.gov, tforese@azcc.gov, bstump@azcc.gov, dlittle@azcc.gov,

atobin@azcc.gov

Cc: marketing@suncityhoa.org

Subject: Docket# WS-01303A-16-0145

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Lloyd Miller

Sun City Az.

From:	Rita Warren
Sent:	Tuesday, July 19, 2016 4:25 PM
To: Subject:	Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web
Subject.	Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145; EPCOR Wastewater Consolidiation
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Thank you,	
Rita Warren	

From:

Earl Warren <

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 4:30 PM

To:

Tobin-Web; Forese-Web; Little-Web; Stump-Web; RBurns-Web

Subject:

Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145: EPCOR Wastewater Consolidation

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Thank you,

N. Earl Warren

From:

Diane & Jim Fisher Baker <fisherbaker@gmail.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 6:43 PM

To:

Forese-Web

Subject:

**EPCOR** 

WS-

Docket # 01303A-16-0145

I am a resident of Sun City and strongly against full consolidation of EPCORS wastewater districts. I don't think my city should be forced to subsidize the other districts.

Thank you

Diane Fisher

From:

Helen Tomich <

Sent:

Tuesday, July 19, 2016 4:39 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145

Mr LIttle

As a Sun City homeowner, I am appalled that Epcor is once again in front of you proposing a consolidation of waste water rates which would force Sun City homeowners to foot the bill for other communities. I was strongly against this the last time they tried it and my position has not changed!

The last time Epcor tried this, I attended meetings and listened to homeowners from Corte Bella and Sun City Grand whine about how their bills were too high and consolidation was the only "fair" thing to do. Well, it's not fair! My husband and I moved to Sun City from Anthem specifically because we saw where our water bills there were headed. We chose Sun City because we could afford it. Those folks in other communities have that same option. They knew what their water bills were when they purchased there... or at least they should have. Whining about it now is just too, too bad. They should've paid attention when they bought their homes.

And yes, I understand that our Sun City water system is older and will need repair. But Epcor should've taken that into consideration when they purchased it! I'm sorry but I can't come up with much sympathy for those poor Canadian shareholders who might have to make a little less on their investment because Epcor management made the decision to buy an older system.

I hope you will do the right thing and turn them down on this consolidation again!

Sincerely,

Helen Tomich

Sun City. AZ

From:

Bob Tomich <

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 6:54 AM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

Re: Docket No. WS-01303A-16-0145

I forgot to change the word "husband" to wife because she wrote this letter.

I am not gay.

# **BOB**

On Jul 19, 2016, at 9:06 PM, Bob Tomich

wrote:

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From:

Yvonne Henckel < hnckl84suncity@yahoo.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 3:45 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

EPCOR consolidation WS - 01303A - 16-0145

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EPCOR shows their cost of service for our district is approximately \$25 per month and the consolidated rate would be more than \$40 per month for our district ratepayers. It's outrages.

We have never shied away from our responsibilities and pay for the costs WE incur. That's only fair. We should never have to be forced to subsidize the other districts. That's morally wrong. Many of us are struggling month to month as it is, and can't do it. Nor should we be placed in this situation and expected to.

Please find it in your heart to vote against this injustice.

Sincerely,

Yvonne and Thomas Henckel

From:

sue\_holly@cox.net

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 4:00 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

EPCOR Consolidation WS-01303A-16-0145

Dear Mr. Little,

As an EPCOR ratepayer and Sun City resident I strongly object to EPCOR's recommendation for full consolidation of the EPCOR wastewater districts. EPCOR shows their cost of service for our district is approximately \$25 per month, and the consolidation rate would be more than \$41 per month for our district ratepayers. Our generation has never shied away from our responsibility to earn our way and pay for the costs we incur. We should not be forced to subsidize the other districts. This is the USA, after all. PLEASE VOTE AGAINST FULL CONSOLIDATION!

Sincerely, Sue Holly

From:

Tom Gaspar <

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 11:43 AM

To:

RBurns-Web; Stump-Web; Little-Web; Forese-Web; Tobin-Web

Subject:

EPCOR Rate Case W5-01303A-16-0145

Good morning Commissioners,

I recently attended EPCOR's presentation in Buckeye concerning its new wastewater rate case. I am in support of consolidation, with the following recommendations:

- 1. that we accelerate the settlement of this case in 2016;
- 2. that new rates are put in place within one year instead of over three years; this will normalize the much higher than average \$72 monthly rate paid in Verrado (down from \$108) and the ridiculously low \$22 and \$33 rates in Sun City/Sun City West--notably where \$110MM in infrastructure improvements are needed;
- 3. that even lower rates are sought, as a 10.65% return to EPCOR is unheard of in this day and age.

Thank you, Tom Gaspar Buckeye (Verrado)

From:

KC <kcmsr00@gmail.com>

Sent:

Wednesday, July 20, 2016 2:56 PM

To:

Little-Web

Subject:

Epcor Increase - Docket # WS-0313A-16-0145

As an EPCOR rate payer and Sun City resident, I strongly object to EPCOR'S recommendation for full consolidation of the EPCOR wastewater districts.

EPCOR shows their cost of service for our district approximately \$25/month and the consolidated rate would be more than \$40/month for our district rate payers. I have already received water bills for \$41.01 and this has not even passed as yet. What is going on?

I ask you, please, to vote against full consolidation.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Molda 9923 W Prairie Hills Circle Sun City, AZ 85351